

Bloomington/Monroe County Metropolitan Planning Organization
Citizens Advisory Committee

Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes
June 25, 2008 McCloskey Conference Room 135, City Hall

*Citizens Advisory Committee (CAC) Minutes are transcribed in a summarized outline manner.
Audio recordings from the meeting are available in the Planning Department for full reference.*

Attendance

Citizens Advisory Committee (Voting Members): Chair Jack Baker (McDoel Gardens NA), John Kehrberg (Citizen), David Walter (6th & Ritter NA), Jerry Stasny (Old Northeast NA), Ted Miller (citizen), Natalie Wrubel (League of Women Voters), Steve Forrest (full-time citizen), Sarah Ryterband (Prospect Hill NA), and Elizabeth Cox-Ash (McDoel Gardens NA).

Others In Attendance (including Non-Voting CAC Members): Eve Corrigan (Citizen), and Scott Robinson (MPO staff).

I. Call to Order (~6:35PM)

II. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from the May 28, 2008 meeting were accepted by the CAC with one correction noted by Mr. Forest.

III. Communications from the Chair

A. SR 45/46 Bypass Project

Mr. Baker reported that the Policy Committee discussed the project and that there is a need to get the right people together to agree on a resolution. Currently there is not much to report on for the status of this project. The City's Public Works Department is putting together a list of items that should be addressed. He also mentioned the Policy Committee discussed the status of the state's TIP (INSTIP) and that Bloomington Transit is seeking to acquire the Royal Dog site (3rd and Walnut) for the new transit transfer facility.

IV. Reports from the Officers and/or Committees

None

V. Reports from the MPO Staff

A. Transportation Improvement Program FY 2009-2012

Mr. Robinson informed the CAC that the Policy Committee adopted the TIP at their June Meeting. He thanked everyone for their participation in the TIP process and also noted that Joe Fish, MPO Staff, was attending TransCAD training at Purdue. There was some discussion regarding the status of current road projects.

VII. Old Business

A. Ball State University Student Project

Mr. Robinson said that staff will need to provide a recommendation to Mr. Truex very soon if the project is to be considered this fall. Mr. Baker reviewed the list of suggestions that he has received thus far and then asked the committee for further suggestions. The

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committee discussed the suggestions. A motion was made by Mrs. Cox-Ash that selected the West Second (Walnut to SR 37) Street Visioning and the Allen Street Bike and Pedestrian Corridor/Safe to School/Complete Streets. Mr. Miller seconded and the committee unanimously approved. Mr. Baker suggested that he meet with MPO staff to refine the suggestions before staff submits the proposals to the Ball State program. The committee was open to any suggestions that Mr. Truex would have on the projects.

B. Complete Streets Policy

Mr. Robinson reviewed the latest draft of the Complete Streets Policy and suggested that the committee reach consensus or preliminary approval up to section two, the policy section. This way the committee can focus their future efforts on the remaining sections. Mr. Baker supported the suggestion and asked for the Committee's opinion before moving forward. Discussion ensued over the suggestion and the language to use. Ms. Ryterband, Mr. Forest, and Mr. Miller were ok with a preliminary approval up to section two (Policy) of the draft. Ms. Ryterband moved that the draft policy be preliminary approved through section one and was seconded by Mr. Forest. Consensus was reached by the committee with preliminary approval of these sections. Discussion continued on the remaining sections of the draft policy by the committee. Mr. Baker said he would work with staff to flesh out the ideas that were conveyed by the committee members and would present these changes at the August meeting.

VI. New Business
None

VIII. Communications from Committee Members

A. Topic Suggestions for future agendas

Mr. Forest provided a topic suggestion that was included in the packet and would like everyone to consider this for the next meeting regarding long range vision statement.

VI. Upcoming Meetings

- A. CANCELLED** Technical Advisory Committee – June 27, 2008 at 1:30 p.m.
- B.** Technical Advisory Committee – August 22, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. (McCloskey Room)
- C.** Citizens Advisory Committee – August 27, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. (McCloskey Room)
- D.** Policy Committee – September 12, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. (McCloskey Room)

Adjournment (~8:10 PM)

*These minutes were _____ by the CAC at their regular meeting held on August 27, 2008.
(RH 8/27/2008)*